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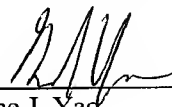
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Sir:

Inadvertently, an IDS Transmittal and Form PTO-1449 Modified were sent on December 13, 2002 without the accompanying copies of the publications listed on the Form PTO-1449 Modified. In addition, Item AB of the Form PTO-1449 Modified erroneously indicated that Section 7.4 of Fitch was being submitted whereas the submission from Fitch consists of page 202 of Fitch (which contains material from Section 7.4 thereof) rather than the entirety of Section 7.4.

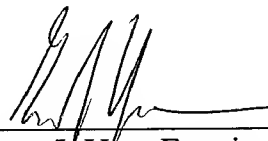
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With this letter, we have re-sent the IDS Transmittal and a corrected Form PTO-1449 Modified, along with accompanying copies of the publications listed on the Form PTO-1449 Modified. Accordingly, please disregard the IDS Transmittal and Form PTO-1449 which were sent previously on December 13, 2002.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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